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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ISRAELI REQUEST TO RESTRICT CONGEN ACTIVITIES ON WEST BANK

REF: (A) TEL AVIV 1809; (B) STATE 84173; (C) TEL AVIV 2602

BEGIN SUMMARY. GOI "SUSPENDS" REQUEST TO RESTRICT CONGEN
ACTIVITIES ON WEST BANK. END SUMMARY.

1. EVRON (MFA) CALLED UP TODAY TO GIVE ME OFFICIAL GOI
RESPONSE TO MY ORAL PRESENTATION ON MAY 1 (REF C). HE DICTATED
FOLLOWING "VERBAL NOTE": BEGIN TEXT. IN RESPONSE TO USG
REQUEST THAT GOI RECONSIDER ITS DECISION ON SUBJECT OF CCONTACTS
BY U.S. DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR OFFICERS WITH RESIDENTS OF THE
WEST BANK WHO HOLD OFFICIAL POSITIONS, AND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE
FRIENDLY AND CORDIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN US, EVRON WAS AUTHORIZED
TO INFORM ME OF THE FOLLOWING:

(1) GOI AGREES TO SUSPEND THE ARRANGEMENT THAT
EVRON DISCUSSED WITH ME (REF A).

(2) GOI HOPES THAT IN THEIR DEALINGS WITH WEST BANK
RESIDENTS, MEMBERS OF U.S. CONSULATE GENERAL IN JERUSALEM
WILL REFRAIN FROM SUCH ACTIVITIES AS THAT WHICH CAUSED THE
PRESENT PROBLEM. END TEXT.

2. I THANKED EVRON FOR THE INFORMATION AND EXPRESSED
PERSONAL VIEW THAT THIS WAS THE COMMONSENSE SOLUTION TO THIS
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PARTICULAR PROBLEM. HE AGREED AND THAT ENDED THE EXCHANGE.

3. GOI DECISION TO "SUSPEND" RATHER THAN DROP "REQUEST"
(AS RECOMMENDED PARA 4, REF C) PROBABLY DESIGNED TO (A)

SAVE FACE OF GOI OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN ORIGINAL REQUEST AND
(B) TO REMIND US THAT "REQUEST" COULD BE REACTIVATED IN FUTURE
SHOULD SITUATION SO WARRANT. GIVEN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES
THIS MATTER, HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THAT FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES
THE CASE IS CLOSED.
VELIOTES

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